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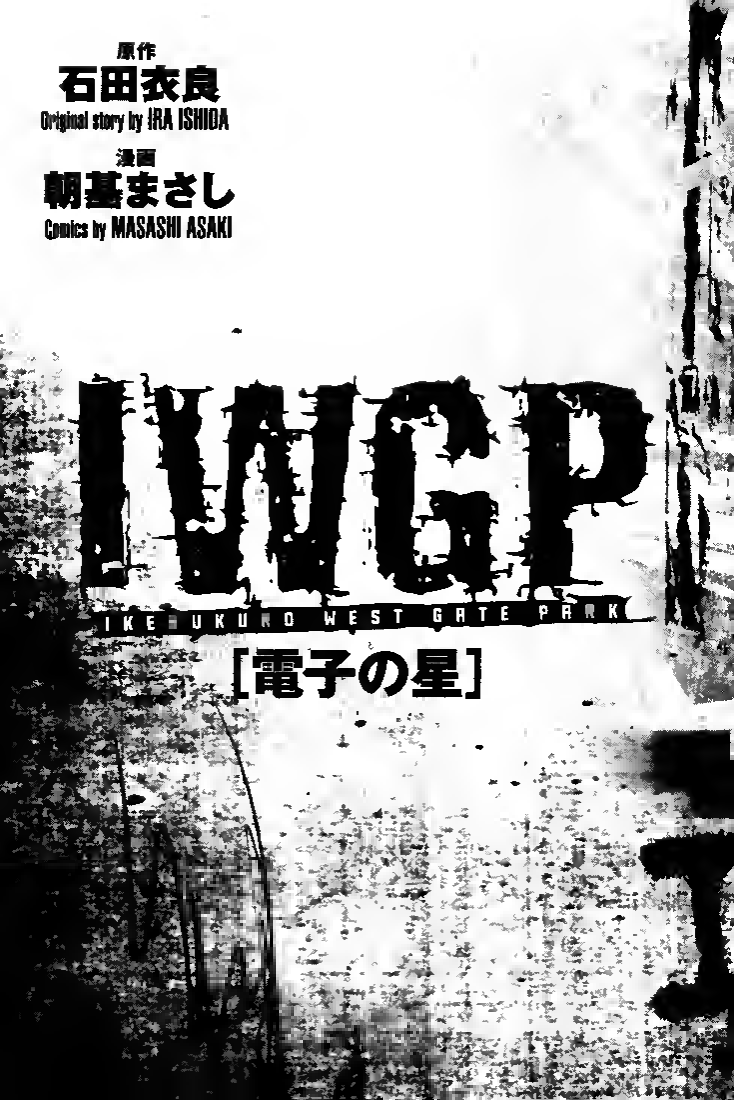

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IKEBUKURO"S DEFENDER OF JUSTICE?

> Re:

>YEP. HE LL HELP SEARCH FOR PEOPLE,

> OR GET YOU OUT OF TROUBLE

> BUT,

>WE AIN T GOT NO CASH

>THINK HE D TAKE A JOB EVEN IF COPS ARE INVOLVED?

>WHEN YOU NEED TO RUN AND SEE MAKOTO
>I M TELLING YA,
>IT S SITUATIONS LIKE THESE

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池袋
いけぶくろ
Mejiro
Ikebukuro
Otsuka

THIS PLACE IS OVERCROWDED
WOAH !!!

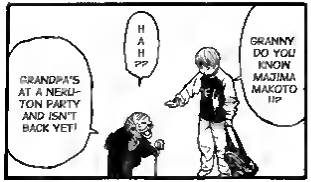
GOTTA GET THIS ON MY CELL!!
AAAH! THAT'S THE FAMOUS...
IKEFUKURO STATUE!

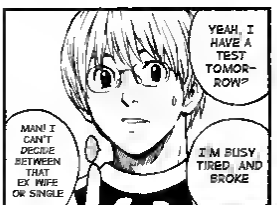
WEST GATE'S OVER HERE?
TOWER'S DEPARTMENT STORE IS OVER THERE SO
HMM WEST GATE WEST GATE

THE SUNSHINE BUILDING HUH?
60 STORIES !!
W-WHAT THE HECK
IS THAT??
NOW THIS LOOKS MORE LIKE BUKURO FASHION!
YOSH!!!
I DIDN'T COME HERE TO SIGHT-SEE!
WHY AM I ACTING LIKE SAZAE-SAN??
LET ME MEET THIS DEFENDER OF JUSTICE!!
PLEASE, GOD...

DEAD
YO, PEOPLES!! ANYONE HERE KNOW THE ALL-AROUND ....
TROUBLE-SHOOTER, MAJIMA MAKOTO??
ジャラ

HEY?
SHE'S MY FAVOURITE
INTO THOSE KINDS HUH?


HAH??
GRANDPA'S AT A NERU-TON PARTY AND ISN'T BACK YET!
GRANNY DO YOU KNOW MAJIMA MAKOTO IP?


YEAH, I HAVE A TEST TOMORROW?
I'M BUSY, TIRED, AND BROKE
MAN! I CAN'T DECIDE BETWEEN THAT EX WIFE OR SINGLE

ARE YOU ALL ALONE TOO, KITTY-CAT?
UMM

THE AIR HERE IN TOKYO IS FAR COLDER THAN ANY WIND FROM THE TSUGARU STRAIT.
.....
MOM, DAD...CAN YOU HEAR ME?
ISP
GUESS I SHOULD GO BACK

AT LEAST HERE IN IKEBU-KURO
BUT THIS ISN'T RIGHT. MAKOTO IS SUPPOSED TO BE WELL-KNOWN
LOOK THE OTHER WAY...
I HATE THIS PLACE ALREADY
HUH? WHAT'S WITH THEM? THEY KEEP STARING AT ME
I SHOULD FIND SOME PEOPLE IN SERIOUS TROUBLE, AND MAYBE THEY'D KNOW!
MAYBE...
AH!
LOOKIN' FOR MAKOTO?
HEY YOU...

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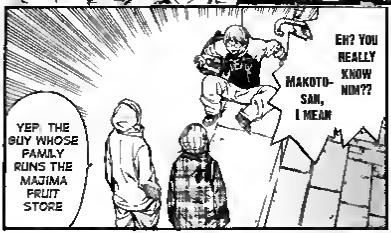
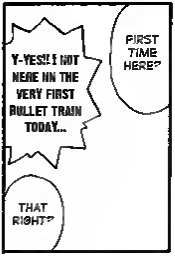
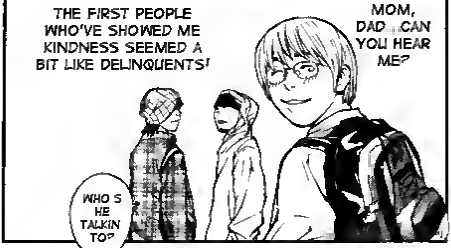
WE MIGHT KNOW A THING OR TWO
!!

COME WITH US


YEP. THE GUY WHOSE FAMILY RUNS THE MAJIMA FRUIT STORE
MAKOTO-SAN, I MEAN
EH? YOU REALLY KNOW HIM??


FIRST TIME HERE?
Y-YES!! I NOT WERE IN THE VERY FIRST BULLET TRAIN TODAY...
THAT RIGHT?


THE FIRST PEOPLE WHO'VE SHOWED ME KINDNESS SEEMED A BIT LIKE DELINQUENTS!
MOM, DAD...CAN YOU HEAR ME?
WHO'S HE TALKIN TO?

WE'VE BEEN HELPED A BUNCH BY HIM OURSELVES
HE'S THE TYPE OF GUY WHO CAN'T IGNORE PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS
LOTS OF PEOPLE'VE COME ASKIN' FOR MAKOTO LIKE THAT
MAKOTO LIVES UP TO HIS NAME!
DEFEN-DER OF JUSTICE!
IKEBU-KURO'S
HEY, MAKOTO-KUN

OH?
TANGERINE / 1 BASKET 30,000 YEN
WHO'S THIS?
HUH?
NOT WHAT I EXPECTED...
SAYS HE'S GOT A JOB FOR YOU

50 GRAND!!
I'M ACTUALLY LOOKING FOR A FRIEND HE—
USING COMPUTER GESTURES
I FOUND OUT ABOUT YOU ON THE 'NET
MY NAME IS SONOBE TERUNOBU
WHAT JOB?
T-THEY SAID YOU DON'T ASK FOR MONEY...
E-ERM, 50,000 YEN??
GYA HAHA HAHA ...
I SAID 50 GRAND!
HUH?
W-WHAT'RE THEY DOING??
I THOUGHT WE MADE OURSELVES CLEAR
NOT PAYING UP? HUH?
AND THEY DON'T WORK FOR FREE, GET ME?
YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDIN', KID. THESE GUYS WORK FOR ME
FINE. I'LL LOWER IT TO 30 GRAND !!!
DIDN'T YOU BRING ENOUGH CASH?

PROBABLY AROUND 10 TO 20
H-HOW CAN THIS PERSON BE...
HEH! HOW MUCH YOU THINK IT'S WORTH?
THAT'S...!
HEY MAKOTO-KUN, THIS KID'S GOT A LAPTOP ON HIM
I-I CAN'T PAY
THAT MUCH MONEY
GUWAH!!
LISTEN, PUNK
THIS PIECE OF JUNK WON'T EVEN PAY OUR TRAVEL EXPENSES
AND COUGH UP SOME CASH ANY WAY YOU CAN!
GUUK!!
BETTER HURRY

OF JUSTICE!?
A DE-
FENDER
NGH

KATOU AI!?
Oi oi oi, you owe me, man! I ain't never seen her but my friend says she looks just like Katou Ai! You lucky guy! Don't pull any moves now! Laterz~
NEXT
MENU
CASIO
KA-KO
Oau

KATOU AI!?
MAKOTO-SENPAI
NICE TO MEET YOU ....
I'M SATOU AI!
SO MANY PEOPLE SAY I LOOK LIKE KATOU AI
MORE LIKE ATOU KAI!*
HTTP://HOMEPAGE.MAC.COM/ATO_KAI/ - COMPARE THE PIC!

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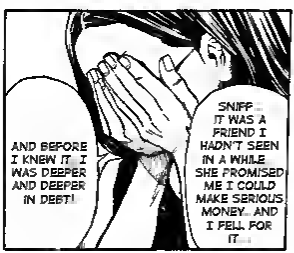


HELP ME, MAKOTO-SENPAI!
PLEASE !!
YOU WERE THE WORST STUDENT IN YOUR HOME-TOWN HIGH SCHOOL, WASN'T THAT RIGHT?
I HEARD FROM A FRIEND
THAT YOU'D BE ABLE TO DO SOME-THING ABOUT IT!

JUST GIVE ME THE NAMES OF 4 OR 5 DIM WITS YOU KNOW!
S-SIR, PLEASE REFRAIN FROM VIOLENCE IN THIS RESTRA--!
WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH YOUR STUPID PYRAMID SCHEME?
SO?
GRIN
S-STOP IT!! WHAT ARE YOU DOING??
THAT'S MY BAG--!!
EH?
DON'CHA THINK WE SHOULD CALL FOR HELP?
NAH, I WON'T
YOU DO IT
I JUST FOUND IT HERE A MOMENT AGO
HAAAH?? WHOSE BAG?
HE!?

...HUH?
EXTORTING SOME POOR KID?
S-STOP IT, MAKOTO-SAN!
NOT MY BUSINESS
WHAT?
MAJIMA MAKOTO IS A VERY BUSY MAN!
HE TOOK TIME OUT JUST TO MEET WITH YOU
YOU OUGHT TO SHOW HIM SOME MORE GRATITUDE!

LET'S DO IT LIKE HANA HAJIME!*
EH?
HEY
I KNOW!
AND THEN PAINT HIM UP LIKE A BRONZE STATUE AND STICK 'IM NEXT TO THE IKEFUKURO
WE'LL STICK HIS LOWER HALF IN SOME CEMENT--
GREAT IDEA, HUH?
YOU'RE A GENIUS, MAKOTO-SAN!
WA-HAH! MAYBE HE'LL EVEN SHOW UP IN RUNUBU AS A NEW ATTRACTION!
A-AH
LET'S GET STARTED BY CHACKIN' HIS SKULL SO HE'LL STOP SQUIRMING!

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

REFERRING TO THE OLD 1968 WAR OF THE GARGANTUANS THIS ONE BEING "FRANKENSTEIN'N'GAIRA" SANDA TOO CAN BE BASICALLY THE GARGANTUANS WERE THESE GUYS MUTATED FROM EXPOSURE TO FRANKENSTEIN'S CORPSE OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT THEY REPENT I DUNNO RATHER JUST SEE THEIR UGLY GUYS CHECK OUT WIKI FOR MORE IN THE WHOLE TOHO MOVIE THING

EEEK!
.....
?
SORRY !!
S-S-
IF YOU KEEP USING MY NAME, IT'S GOING TO HUNT MY IMAGE!
AHH YOU! QUIT SCREAMING SO EVERYONE CAN HEAR!
UWAH !!
YO BUDDY
QUIT WRECKIN MY SOON-TO-BE STATUE HERE!
HMPH

SATIS-
FIED?
...ARE
YOU
BIKU
BIKU
AND GET
LOST
ALREADY
!!
QUIT
STARING
WHA?
MY
ARTWORK!
OFF!!
HANDS
I
SAID
CAN"T
YOU HEAR?

I BETTER NOT FIND YOU DOING THIS AGAIN
T-THIS-
NNGH...
IKEBU-KURO'S WACK
COU GH
LOOKS LIKE A CRIME SCENE!!
LESH GO BACK TO AKA-BANE...

MY FAMILY RUNS A FRUIT STORE
I DON'T NEED IT
I KNOW THIS ISN'T MUCH BUT PLEASE TAKE IT
IT'S A BUNCH OF APPLES FROM THE COUNTRY SIDE
ERM
UH-UH
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
OR MAYBE THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE
MAN, I GOTTA STOP DOING THIS STUFF
EH?
THAT WAS THE DAY I MET THE DEFENDER OF JUSTICE...
HUH?
AND STARTING ALL SORTS OF TROUBLE
THESE FRIGGIN BASTARDS USING MY NAME
BUT YOUR NAME IS...?
EXCUSE ME

HE APPEARED TO ME AS A SAVIOR WHO YIELDS TO NO ONE
MAJIMA MAKOTO ....
AMONG THE AGONIZING CRIES THAT MADE IKEBUKURO SEEM LIKE HELL,
OUCH
UUUH
IT WAS AS IF I WAS GAZING AT DELACROIX'S FAMOUS GODDESS OF FREEDOM...

MAJIMA MAKOTO!
?

T-THIS PERSON IS THE REAL ...

MAKOTO-SAN, PLEASE HELP ME!!
HUH ??
I'VE BEEN SEARCHING ALL OVER FOR YOU
MAKO-TO-SAN
UM
AH
I BEG YOU TO HELP ME FIND HIM!!
MY BEST FRIEND DISAPPEARED HERE IN IKEBUKURO !!!!

NOW YOU?
EH?
THEN THESE PIECES OF SHIT
FIRST, THAT HAG WHO LOOKED LIKE ATOU KAI
...
THERE MIGHT BE ALL KINDS OF CRAZY RUMORS ABOUT ME FLYING AROUND ...
BUT DO I LOOK LIKE SOME KIND OF HUMANITARIAN TO YOU?

YOU DO!!
THERE'S NO ONE LEFT TO ASK BUT YOU!
PLEASE HELP ME!
I SAID GET LOST!
OH, HERE'S A PHOTO OF WHAT MY FRIEND LOOKS LIKE
DON'T FOLLOW ME!
ARE YOU HUNGRY? ALLOW ME TO TREAT YOU TO LUNCH!
AAH! MAKOTO-SAN!
FORGET IT!

カラオケ&バーティー館
カラオケ館
AND THEN

IWGP?
WHAT THE HECK'S THAT? SOME POLITICAL PARTY?
(I)IKEBUKURO
(W)WEST
(G)GATE
(P)PARK!
.....
JUST LIKE IT SAID ON THE 'NET!
IWGP!
THIS IS THE PARK YOU VISIT OFTEN, ISN'T IT MAKOTO-SAN !!?
OON!
OON!

THAT'S RE-TARDED
CAN I UPLOAD YOUR PIC TO MY HOMEPAGE?
HELL NO!
DO YOU HAVE SOME KINDA SECRET MOVE TO FINISH GUYS IN ONE HIT?
WANNA TASTE IT?
HOW 'BOUT I RUN YOU OVER WITH THE DELIVERY TRUCK?
WHENEVER THERE'S AN EMERGENCY, DO YOU COME DASHING IN ON A 'BIKE?

SO SORRY!
YOU RE PISSIN' ME OFF!
JUST TELL ME WHAT THE HELL YOU WANT ALREADY!!
WELL, GETTING TO THE POINT
GASA
PLEASE FORGIVE ME IF I'M ANNOYING
I GUESS I'M ALWAYS PISSING PEOPLE OFF
KIICHI MOVED HERE AROUND SPRING
HE CAME BECAUSE HE WAS ACCEPTED TO A FILM-MAKING SCHOOL HERE IN IKEBUKURO
THIS IS MY CHILDHOOD FRIEND
ASANUMA KIICHIROU
NEC

HE'S POOR JUST LIKE ME
SO, HE WAS WORKING 2 JOBS AND ON TOP OF THAT PAYING FOR HIS OWN EXPENSES
BOUNCE

I LOST CONTACT WITH HIM ABOUT 3 WEEKS AGO
I TRIED LETTERS, HIS CELL PHONE, AND EMAIL
NOTHING WORKED

KIICHI WAS ALWAYS A REALLY RES-PON-SIBLE GUY
NOT THE TYPE TO JUST DISAPPEAR ALL OF A SUDDEN

UM... DID YOU BET ALL THAT?
WHAT?
.....
WHAT WAS YOUR NAME TERU?
YOU MEAN TO TELL ME YOU CAME ALL THIS WAY JUST 'CUZ OF THAT?
YES
YES
NO NEED TO WORRY JUST GO HOME
W-WAIT! THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM HERE!
THEY STOP YOUR CELL PHONE SERVICE RIGHT AWAY IF YOU DON'T PAY THE BILL
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MANY PEOPLE GET THEIR PHONES CUT OFF HERE IN TOKYO?
...

ONE DAY HE HAD DEPOSITED INTO HIS POSTAL BANK ACCOUNT...
LOOK! A FULL 3 MILLION YEN!

HRM
SOMETHING HAD TO HAVE HAPPENED!
THAT'S WHY I CAN'T EXPLAIN HIS DISAPPEARANCE!
YES AND HIS PLACE OF WORK IS NEARBY TOO
THIS IS WHERE HE LIVED?
WEST IKEBUKURO, 2ND BLOCK
NOT AT HOME AFTER ALL
RING-RONG
KIICHI !!
KIICHI YOU THERE?
HAA
HUH?
BUT
KNOWING HIM HE MUST HAVE HID A SPARE KEY SOMEWHERE HERE...

!!
I AIN'T THE COPS OR THE LANDLADY, KID
HOW ELSE WOULD WE GET IN?
AH?!
MAKO-TO-SAN!!

W-WHY...?
HM?
!
PRETTY DARN CLEAN IN HERE
HE ALWAYS TOOK GOOD CARE OF IT... EVERYWHERE HE WENT
I GOT HIM FOR CHEAP IN A NET AUCTION
THAT'S THE LAPTOP
ANYTHING TO DRINK?
THE FRIDGE IS EMPTY
AW, MAN...
I CAN'T BELIEVE HE'D LEAVE THIS BEHIND
I FEEL SICK

SURE HE HADN'T PICKED UP A CHICK AND MOVED IN WITH HER OR SOMETHING?
IT'S LIKE THIS PLACE HAS BEEN WIPED
KIICHI WAS ALWAYS PART OF THE FEW NATURAL "WINNERS" IN OUR CLASS
THERE'S NO WAY HE'D DO THAT
PLUS, I'M SHY AND GIVE UP EASILY
PEOPLE LIKE ME GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL BUT AREN'T ABLE TO FIND WORK
WIN-NERS?

PEOPLE WOULD ALWAYS PICK ON ME BECAUSE OF THAT AND THE FACT I WAS A HICK
I WAS ALWAYS WEAK SINCE BIRTH
I ALWAYS LOOKED UP TO HIM
IT WAS DURING THOSE TIMES THAT KIICHI ALWAYS STOOD UP FOR ME
I WANT TO BE THE ONE TO HELP
THAT'S WHY THIS TIME
THAT'S RIGHT!
AH!

IT HAS SOME CLUES...
MAYBE...
THE LAPTOP
DEAD
Windows 2000
Professional
KARI
KARI KARI
TOSHIBA
YO, TERU
THERE AN ASHTRAY ROUND HERE?
HE--
.....
DEAD

UWAAAAAAH!!
UWA-
HAA
HAA
KIICHI!?
HAA
IS THIS HIM!?
. . . . ?

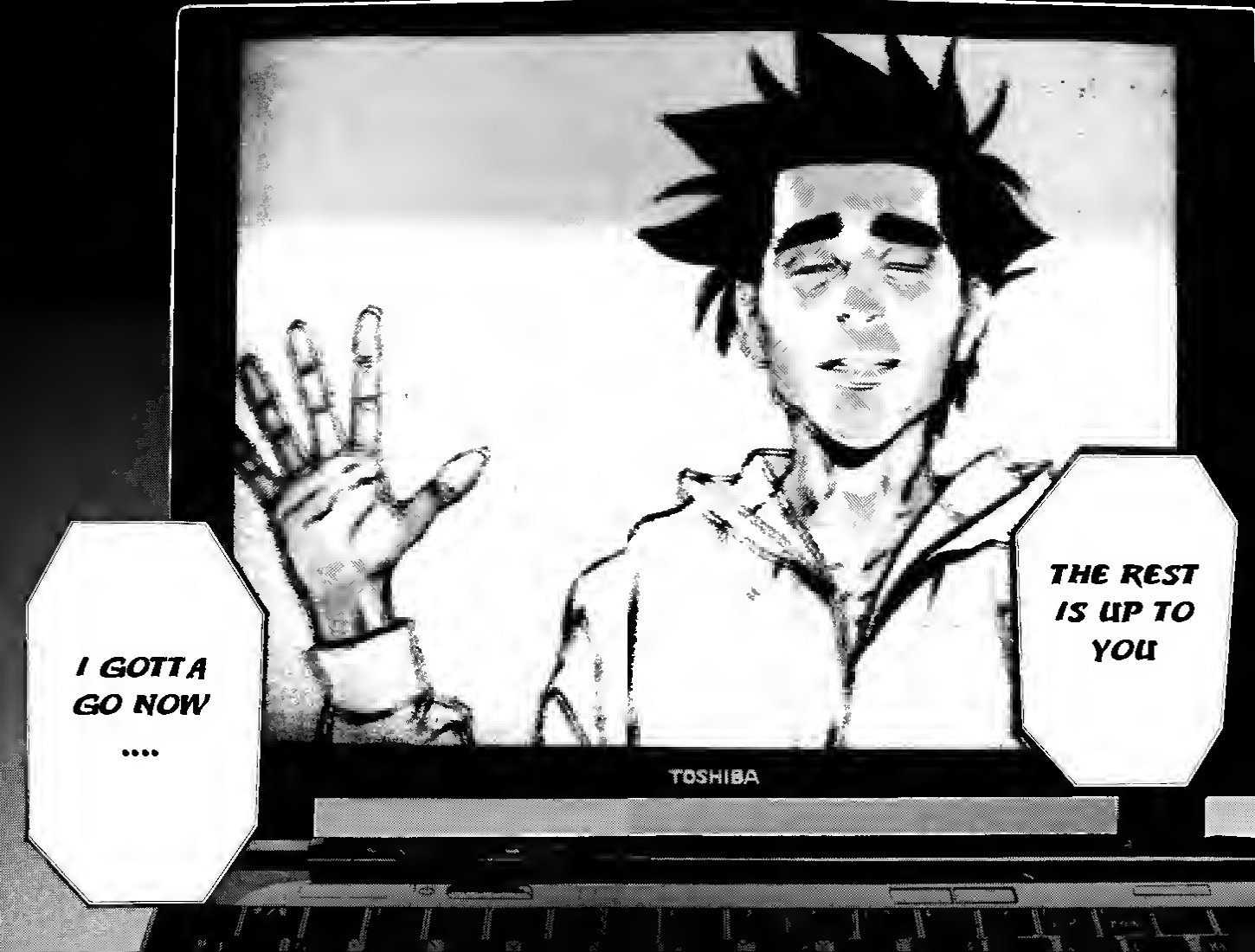
IF YOU'RE WATCHING THIS THEN THAT MEANS YOU'RE HERE ...
DEAD
MOM... DAD...
OR MAYBE IT'S EVEN YOU, TERU...

I DIDN'T MAKE IT BACK
THIS MEANS, THEN, THAT...
TOSHIBA
IT'S ABOUT 5 RIGHT NOW SO, EVERYTHING SHOULD BE OVER IN TWO HOURS
I'LL DO EVERY-THING I CAN TO MAKE IT BACK
BORO
I'M SCARED TO DEATH OF WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN AFTER THIS...
BUT I'M GOING
HAA
HAA
HAA
EVER SINCE I GOT HERE, SCHOOL AND WORK DIDN'T GO TOO WELL
PO PO
PO PO
MOM, DAD, THANKS FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE TO RAISE ME ...

I'VE BEEN WORKING WITHOUT SLEEP, AND MY BODY'S A WRECK
I'M ABOUT TWO MONTHS BEHIND ON THE RENT TOO
DEAD
EVEN THOUGH I GRADUATED MY PROGRAM, THERE ISN'T REALLY ANY WORK OUT THERE FOR ME
KIND OF LIKE, ME AND TOKYO DON'T MIX

KIICHI
...
I'VE DECIDED TO TAKE ONE LAST GAMBLE ...
I'M JUST A LOSER TO BEGIN WITH, SO IT DOESN'T MATTER EITHER WAY

SHINYA ?
I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO ME IF IT CAN HELP HIM OUT
KIICHI'S YOUNGER BROTHER
UNLIKE ME, SHINYA'S A REALLY GOOD GUY
PLEASE USE THAT MONEY I SENT TO GET SHINYA INTO A GOOD COLLEGE
.....


I GOTTA GO NOW ....
THE REST IS UP TO YOU
TOSHIBA

DON'T GO LOOKING FOR ME ...
THESE PEOPLE ARE DAN-GEROUS !!

IN SOME DEEP SHIT ....
I THINK YOUR FRIEND'S ...
UHOO ...
SNIFF ...
...HEY!

MAKOTO

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